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NEWS RELEASE

Couple Found Driving Stolen Jeep

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Date/Time: 12/29/2022 @ 10:15 A.M. Location: 500 Block of E. Father Rahm

Arrested: Jeandid Isaac Melendez, 22 years of age, Venezuela Resident

Arrested: Yorve Berroteran, 21 years of age, Venezuela Resident

El Paso, Texas – Two Venezuelans are arrested after driving the wrong way in a stolen vehicle. On Thursday, December 29, 2022, Officers patrolling the area of Father Rahm near Sacred Heart Church spotted a Jeep going the wrong way. The Officers stopped the vehicle and found 21-year-old Yorve Berroteran driving the 2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee. The Officers spoke to Berroteran and his passenger, 22-year-old Jeandid Isaac Melendez. The officers found that the vehicle did not belong to either of them. Melendez gave the officers a false name and date of birth. Officers found Melendez's true identity and arrested her for Failure to Identify. The Officers also arrested Berroteran for the traffic violations. On Tuesday, January 3, 2023, the owner of the Jeep reported the vehicle stolen. The Officers learned from the victim that the victim had left the Jeep running to warm it up on December 29, at the 600 block of Mesa. Moments later the victim found that someone had stolen the vehicle. The victim attempted to report the theft later that day, but was unable to make a report until January 3rd due to being in Juarez, Mexico.

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